

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Health	(2) MEETING DATE 5/13/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Penny Borenstein / 781-5519	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve a three year (May 2014 through May 2017) paramedic base hospital agreement (Clerk's File) with Arroyo Grande Community Hospital. Districts 3 & 4.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve and direct the Chairperson to sign a three year paramedic base hospital agreement with Arroyo Grande Community Hospital.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? N/A
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) Districts 3 & 4.			

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director
Penny Borenstein, MD, MPH, Health Officer

DATE: May 13, 2014

SUBJECT: Request to approve a three year (May 2014 through May 2017) paramedic base hospital agreement (Clerk's File) with Arroyo Grande Community Hospital. Districts 3 & 4.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve and direct the Chairperson to sign a three year paramedic base hospital agreement with Arroyo Grande Community Hospital.

DISCUSSION

California Health and Safety Code Section 1797 et seq. allows the local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency, designated in San Luis Obispo County as the County Public Health Department, to provide medical direction of prehospital emergency medical care personnel through the designation of base hospitals. Hospitals designated as base hospitals provide this service in accordance with local EMS Agency policies and procedures.

Hospitals designated by the County as base hospitals play a vital role in San Luis Obispo County's EMS system. Through radio communication, base hospitals provide immediate medical direction and supervision of paramedic personnel including prehospital treatment, patient triage and transport. Base hospitals also provide EMS personnel continuing education, training, and contribute to the EMS system's quality improvement process.

If approved by the Board, Arroyo Grande Community Hospital would join the other three county hospitals as a base hospital.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form and legal effect. The Emergency Medical Care Committee, an advisory committee to the County Emergency Medical Services Agency and the Board of Supervisors has been notified of this request.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Neither the County nor the hospital will receive compensation resulting from this agreement.

RESULTS

This agreement between the County and Arroyo Grande Community Hospital designating Arroyo Grande Community Hospital as a base hospital will help ensure consistent and appropriate equipment, staffing, and training that meet the EMS Agency's policies and procedures. In turn, this agreement will support the overall County vision of a safe and healthy community.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Clerk's File Statement for Base Hospital Agreement with Arroyo Grande Community Hospital